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## RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR § 1.115

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

This is in response to the Office action issued July 21, 1997, with regard to the above referenced application. The period of time for responding to the Office action is set to expire on November 21, 1997. In view of Applicant's attached petition requesting a one-month extension of time herein, this amendment is timely filed.

Applicant has carefully considered each of the rejections raised and offers the following amendments and remarks in response. Reconsideration of the rejections is respectfully requested. Please amend the application as follows.

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